

(2) Please add new Claims 22-26 as follows:

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--22. (New) An automated telephony interface for use with a telecommunications device,
comprising:

a scanner; and

a session initiator, coupled to said scanner, that parses information read by said scanner, extracts a telephone number from said information, determines whether to use said telephone number to initiate faxing or phoning and transmits a signal containing said telephone number to said telecommunications device thereby initiating a telecommunications session.

23. (New) The interface as recited in Claim 22 wherein said session initiator determines whether to use said telephone number to initiate faxing or phoning based on a user-input manually entered into said scanner or said session initiator.

24. (New) The interface as recited in Claim 23 further including a user-operable switch coupled to said scanner or said session initiator for receiving said user-input.

25. (New) The interface as recited in Claim 22 wherein said session initiator determines whether to use said telephone number to initiate faxing or phoning based on a user-input manually entered into said telecommunications device.